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SUBJECT: ENVIROMENTAL/MORALE LEAVE TRAVEL

REF: DOD REGULATION 4515.13-R

1. BECAUSE OF RECENT CHANGES IN DOD REGULATION 4515.13-R, CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE USG (EXCEPT DOD CIVILIANS) ARE NO LONGER ELEIGIBLE FOR TRAVELON DOD AIRCRAFT FOR ENVIRON-MENTAL AND MORALE LEAVE (EML). AT THE SAME TIME, ALL US MILITARY PERSONNEL IN TURKEY ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE DOD'S EML PROGRAM BECAUSE OF "MORALE DEPRESSANTS...DUE TO ADVERSE ENVIRONMENT." THE ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS DICTATING THE DESIGNATION OF U.S. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN TURKEY FOR INCLUSION IN THE EML PROGRAM HAVE NOT CHANGED AND THIS GENERAL SUBJECT WAS DEALT WITH IN A RECENT REPORT BY DR. ZWEIFEL OF M/MED. NONETHLESS THE RECENT AMENDMENTS TO DOD REGULATION 4515.13-R EXCLUDE ALL NON-DOD CIVILIANS FROM TRAVELING "SPACE AVAILABLE."

2. WE UNDERSTAND THE DOD POLICY FOR SPACE AVAILABLE UNCLASSIFIED

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FLIGHTS IS WORLDWIDE AND NOT AIMED SPECIFICALLY AT NON-DOD CIVILIANS WORKING FOR THE USG IN TURKEY. IF IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO WORK WITH DOD TO RETURN TO THE PREVIOUS POLICY WHICH PERMITTED NON-DOD CIVILIANS EMPLOYED BY THE USG TO TRAVEL SPACE AVAILABLE ON EML, WE URGE THAT ANKARA IMMEDIATELY BE DESIGNATED AN R & R POST.

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